Annual Report 1969



Cochrane-Dunlop
Hardware Limited

COCHRANE-DUNLOP HARDWARE LIMITED

DIRECTORS

F. Cochrane . . . Toronto, Ontario

W. C. Cochrane . . Toronto, Ontario

N. M. Perris . Ocean City, New Jersey,

U.S.A.

A. E. Barron . . . Toronto, Ontario

E. A. Bird . . . Toronto, Ontario

R. L. Hearn . . Queenston, Ontario

D. Higgins . . . Toronto, Ontario

OFFICERS

W. C. Cochrane . Chairman of the Board

F. Cochrane President

D. Higgins Vice-President

and General Manager

E. A. Bird Vice-President

R. L. T. Baillie . . Secretary-Treasurer

EXECUTIVE OFFICES

160 Bloor Street East, Toronto, Ontario

TRANSFER AGENT AND REGISTRAR

The Canada Trust Company—Toronto

WHOLLY-OWNED SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

C-D Hardware Sales Limited

Cochrane-Dunlop Hardware— Quebec, Inc.

Cochrane-Dunlop Hardware
Manitoba Limited

Cochrane-Dunlop Hardware
Saskatchewan Limited

Dominion Hardware Stores Limited

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

FOR THE YEAR		1969	1968	1967
Sales		\$35,750,970	\$35,661,895	\$33,112,129
Operating income		958,110	1,300,071	1,121,338
% to sales	*	2.7%	3.6%	3.4%
Net income		360,188*	518,531	456,543
% to sales		1.0%*	1.4%	1.4%
per common share .		2.42*	3.53	3.10
Dividends—total		128,088	128,088	128,088
per share—Class A .		.80	.80	.80
—Common .		.80	.80	.80
Increase in working capital.		364,504	116,603	153,919
AT YEAR END				
Working capital		6,511,642	6,147,138	6,030,535
Shareholders' equity	×	8,958,084	8,657,080	8,266,637
Shares outstanding				
-Class A	*	17,092	17,092	17,092
—Common		143,018	143,018	143,018

^{*}Before Extraordinary Item.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

The consolidated financial statements of Cochrane-Dunlop Hardware Limited and its subsidiaries for the year ended December 31, 1969 together with the report of the Auditors are submitted on behalf of your Board of Directors.

Net income for 1969 was \$429,092 or \$2.90 per share, compared with \$518,531 or \$3.53 per share in 1968. This represented a decrease in income of \$89,439 or 17% from the previous year. Included in income for 1969 is a gain of \$68,904 on sale of marketable securities. Before including this item, income for 1969 was \$360,188 or \$2.42 per share, a decrease of 30% from income for 1968.

Total sales for the year increased by 0.24% over the previous year. Sales for the first six months of 1969 were 9.6% over 1968, however, in the last half of the year, 1969 sales were 7.7% below the 1968 level. This decrease can be attributed to the effect of several strikes which closed customers' plants in major branch areas and which have now been settled. Anticipated sales volumes were adversely affected in the Sudbury area (in both wholesale and retail outlets), in Sault Ste. Marie, Thunder Bay, and the Hamilton area. Product supply was also dislocated to some degree by these strikes, with a resulting effect on our ability to meet sales objectives in our main branch areas.

As a service organization, your company is susceptible to labour-based expense factors, particularly in an inflationary environment. Cost increases affecting both expenses and cost of goods sold have been experienced in all company locations; in addition, interest costs have increased as a result, in part, of increased bank interest rates and in part, of increased borrowing to finance our new operations in Saskatchewan.

Build-up of volume through our two new wholesale warehouses in Saskatchewan, (at Esterhazy, opened in June, 1968 and Saskatoon, opened in January, 1969) is proceeding.

A number of labour agreements are being reviewed at the present time. These are expected to affect the company's results for 1970. The inflationary nature of union demands is apparent.

The major item included in expenditures on fixed assets is \$59,000 representing the initial costs of an extension to our wholesale warehouse in Thompson, Manitoba, estimated to cost approximately \$100,000 in total Other expenditures are mainly regular equipment replacement and facility improvement costs arising in all company locations.

On behalf of the Board,

Toronto, Ontario April 3, 1970. F. COCHRANE

President

COCHRANE-DUNLOP AND SUBSIDIA

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1969

ASSETS			1969	1968
Current Assets:				
Cash			\$ 46,038	\$ 115,828
Accounts receivable		v	5,073,946	5,320,307
Merchandise inventory at lower of cost and net realizable val	lue .		6,425,568	5,870,093
Prepaid expenses and other assets			120,888	156,967
Marketable securities, at cost		۰		102,971
			11,666,440	11,566,166
Fixed Assets (at cost):				
Building and equipment			3,873,434	3,777,345
Furniture and fixtures			1,109,108	1,072,670
Automotive equipment			148,595	134,393
			5,131,137	4,984,408
Accumulated depreciation			2,971,322	2,759,493
			2,159,815	2,224,915
Land			286,627	285,027
			2,446,442	2,509,942
			\$14,112,882	\$14,076,108

On behalf of the Board: W. C. COCHRANE, *Director*A. E. BARRON, *Director*

AUDITOR

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF COCHRANE-DUNLOP HARDWARE LIMITED:

We have examined the consolidated balance sheet of Cochrane-Dunlop Hardware Limited and its subsiconsolidated source and application of funds for the year then ended. Our examination included a general review necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion these consolidated financial statements present fairly the financial position of the compatible year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent

Toronto, Canada. April 3, 1970.

Y COMPANIES

LIABILITIES									_1	969	1968
Current Liabilities:											
Bank indebtedness									\$ 1,5	80,068	\$ 1,128,965
Accounts payable and accrued charges .									3,0	46,446	3,696,246
Income and other taxes payable			,						4	10,451	475,984
Dividends payable								*	1	17,833	117,833
									5,1	54,798	5,419,028
Shareholders' equity:											
Capital stock (note 1)											
Authorized: 2,281,636 non-cumulative preference service redeemable at par 17,092 class "A" shares of no par vice to the service shares of the service	valu	ie	of pa	ar v	alue	200	¢ ea	ich			
Issued and fully paid:											
17,092 class (A" shares) 143,018 common shares			,						5	33,700	533,700
Retained earnings (note 2)									8,4	24,384	8,123,380
									8,9	58,084	8,657,080
									\$14,1	12,882	\$14,076,108

NOTES:

- 1. During the year, 572,072 non-cumulative preference shares were issued as a stock dividend and subsequently redeemed.
- 2. At December 31, 1969, retained earnings include \$303,584 tax-paid undistributed income.

REPORT

is as at December 31, 1969, and the statements of consolidated income, consolidated retained earnings and ne accounting procedures and such tests of accounting records and other supporting evidence as we considered

as at December 31, 1969, and the results of their operations and the source and application of their funds for that of the preceding year.

CLARKSON, GORDON & CO. Chartered Accountants.

COCHRANE-DUNLOP HARDWARE LIMITED

AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED INCOME

for the year ended December 31, 1969		1969	1968
Sales	. \$3	35,750,970	\$35,661,895
Cost of goods sold including selling, general and administrative expenses	. 3	34,792,860	34,361,824
Operating income		958,110	1,300,071
Income from investments		1,719	6,875
		959,829	1,306,946
Depreciation		214,641	218,415
Net income before income taxes and extraordinary item		745,188	1,088,531
Income taxes		385,000	570,000
Net income before extraordinary item		360,188	518,531
Extraordinary item—gain on sale of securities		68,904	
Net income for the year	. \$	429,092	\$ 518,53
NOTE: Remuneration of directors and senior officers amounted to \$142,003 in 1969.			
STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED RETAINED E	ARN	INGS	
for the year ended December 31, 1969		1969	1968
Palance beginning of year		0.100.000	A 7 700 000
Balance, beginning of year	. \$	8,123,380	\$ 7,732,937
Net income for the year		429,092	518,53
	_	8,552,472	8,251,468
Deduct dividends:			
Common shares		114,414	114,414

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COCHRANE-DUNLOP HARDWARE LIMITED

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STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED SOURCE AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS

for the year ended December 31, 1969					-	**********			1969	1968
Source of Funds:										
Net income for the year					٠		٠		\$ 429,092	\$ 518,531
Depreciation			٠				٠		214,641	218,415
									643,733	736,946
Application of Funds:										
Expenditures on fixed assets .			4						151,141	492,255
Dividends	*								128,088	128,088
									279,229	620,343
Increase in working capital									364,504	116,603
Working capital at beginning of year				٠					6,147,138	6,030,535
Working capital at end of year		٠							\$6,511,642	\$6,147,138

WHOLESALE BRANCHES

ONTARIO- Dryden

Elliot Lake
Little Current
North Bay
Sault Ste. Marie
Sudbury
Thunder Bay
Toronto
Wawa

QUEBEC- Val d'Or

MANITOBA— Thompson

SASKATCHEWAN— Esterhazy

Saskatoon

RETAIL BRANCHES

ONTARIO— Copper Cliff

Guelph
Hamilton
Lively
North Bay
Oakville
Peterborough
Sault Ste. Marie

Sudbury (2)

MANITOBA— Thompson